Deborah Stack, PhD HB 5521

Dear Senator Gerratana, Representative Ritter and members of the Public Health Committee.

As a Licensed Psychologist in Ct. I am writing in strong opposition to HB 5521 for the following 4 reasons:

- 1) The term "psychologist" reflects doctoral level providers, both in Connecticut and on a national level
- 2) Allowing licensure of master's level psychologists would create public confusion regarding provider education and training
- 3) Master's level clinicians are currently able to become licensed in Connecticut as "Licensed Professional Counselors"
- 4) This bill does not impact school psychologists as they are under the authority of the Department of Education

For each of these reasons, I am urging you to oppose HB 5521

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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